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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1653
Douglas Cines, et al. :
Appln. No.: 09/544,665 : Examiner: A. Gupta
Filed: April 6, 2000 :
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METHODS FOR PROMOTING : No. 9596-67U1 (053893-5017)
INTERNALIZATION AND : (K1668CO1)
DEGRADATION OF :
UROKINASE-TYPE :
PLASMINOGEN ACTIVATOR :

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This responds to the Restriction Requirement dated September 26, 2001 (Paper No. 8).

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute without traverse the claims of Groups I, claims 1-10 and 17-20, drawn to a composition comprising a peptide and method of using the peptide in affecting biological processes. This election is being made without traverse and without prejudice to the inclusion of the subject matter of the non-elected claims in any later filed divisional or continuation application.

In response to the species election requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the disclosed peptide "EEIIMD", to which the claims of Groups I-V shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. This peptide is amply supported throughout the specification (see particularly Figures 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5A, and 6, page 11, lines 19-27, and Example 1, starting at page 31). Claims 1-10 and 17-20 are readable on this

elected species.

This response is being timely filed in view of the accompanying Petition for a two-month extension of time and associated fee, which extends the time for a response to the Restriction Requirement through and to December 26, 2001.

Applicants believe this response is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and request prosecution on the merits. Early consideration and allowance of the claims in the present application is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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